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C O N F I D E N T I A L MANAMA 1278

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MASS, BA, SA
SUBJECT: BAHRAIN ARMS REQUESTS: HELICOPTERS AND LAW MISSILES

REF: (A) JIDDA 4174 (B) MANAMA 1185 (C) MANAMA 1144

1. HELICOPTERS: BDF CHIEF OF STAFF HAS PROVIDED US WITH COPY OF NON-TRANSFER AGREEMENT WHICH HE SUPPLIED TO SAG AT ITS REQUEST. HE HOPED COPY WOULD MEET OUR NON-TRANSFER REQUIREMENT. HE HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT IT WOULD NOT AND WAS REQUESTED TO ARRANGE LETTER TO AMBASSADOR FROM DEFENSE MINISTER, TEXT OF WHICH WOULD BE USG NON-TRANSFER LANGUAGE PREVIOUSLY SUPPLIED TO DEFMIN.

2. LAWS: CHIEF OF STAFF PROVIDED FOLLOWING JUSTIFICATION FOR NUMBER OF MISSILES REQUESTED. FULL TEXT MINUS OPENING AND CLOSING FOLLOWS:

"IT IS STATED THAT BAHRAIN DEFENSE FORCE HAS PHASED OUT ALL ITS ANTI TANK ROCKETS EXCEPT FOR THE ONE ASKED FOR THE ABOVE MENTIONED LETTER. MOREOVER, WITH THE GREATER INFLUENCE OF OUR TRAINING IN OUR ANNUAL TRAINING PROGRAMME THE REQUIREMENTS HAVE GONE UP TO APPROXIMATELY 1500 ROCKETS PER YEAR.

"IT WAS, THEREFORE, WITH THESE FACTORS IN VIEW THAT THE
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BAHRAIN DEFENSE FORCE ASKED FOR THIS SPECIFIC NUMBERS, WHICH IS BASED ON OUR THREE YEARS REQUIREMENTS.

"I TRUST THAT THE MATTER HAS NOW BEEN PUT IN ITS CORRECT PRESPECTIVE TO YOUR EXCELLENCY AS REGARDS TO THE URGENCY OF OUR REQUIREMENT AND THE NUMBER."

3. WE HOPE THIS JUSTIFICATION IS ADEQUATE TO APPROVE SALE,
WHICH EMBASSY RECOMMENDS.
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